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- Ideological instruction given in the Yugoslav Army is carried on intensely in the typical Communist spirit. The only difference in the ideological instruction for the period prior to and the period subsequent to the Cominform rift consists in the fact that special lessons have been introduced in all the courses and in all the army schools. These lessons tend to show that the Soviets and its satellites are betraying the Marxist-Leninist line.
- 2. The following are schools for the politico-ideological preparation of officers and soldiers:
  - The superior school of the Party: lasts 18 months, and it is restricted to the national military leaders and to the high-ranking commanders. Three hundred and twenty commanders have attended this school since 1945.
  - Politico-military school: established in 1947. The length of the course is one year. The first course was completed by 177 officers the first year it was given. The second course was attended by 514 officers. Following special provisions the course was completed in the shortened time of six months. Currently, the school is attended by 250 officers.
  - Political school for zone commands: lasts five months. Is attended by command personnel of the headquarters of army commands.
  - Courses for political training on army command level: these courses are given in all army commands and last one to two months. They are attended both by officers and non-commissioned officers.
    - Temporary political courses on division level: these courses are given occasionally, according to the need, in division commands. Their program is similar to those already indicated.

Courses for commissars on battalion and company level: these courses last only three months. Up to the present, 80 percent of battalion commissars and 90 percent of company commissars have completed such courses.

Fleven thousand six hundred officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers have taken the Party culture examinations since 1945, whereas 19,600 soldiers of the Yugoslav Army have written examination themes on, "The People's War of CONFIDENTIAI Liberation and the Reconstruction

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